

LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS

TABLE 4.12

The Lieutenant Governors, 2018

<i>State or other jurisdiction</i>	<i>Name and party</i>	<i>Method of selection</i>	<i>Length of regular term in years</i>	<i>Date of first service</i>	<i>Present term ends</i>	<i>Number of previous terms</i>	<i>Joint election of governor and lieutenant governor (a)</i>
Alabama	Vacant (l)	CE	4	(l)	(l)	...	No
Alaska	Byron Mallott (l)	CE	4	12/2014	12/2018	...	Yes
Arizona	(b)						
Arkansas	Tim Griffin (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	No
California	Gavin Newsom (D)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	No
Colorado	Donna Lynne (D)	CE	4	5/2016 (n)	1/2019	...	Yes
Connecticut	Nancy Wyman (D)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
Delaware	Bethany Hall-Long (D)	CE	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	No
Florida	Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R)	CE	4	2/2014 (k)	1/2019	(k)	Yes
Georgia	Casey Cagle (R)	CE	4	1/2007	1/2019	2	No
Hawaii	Doug Chin (D)	CE	4	2/2018 (e)	12/2018	...	Yes
Idaho	Brad Little (R)	CE	4	1/2009 (c)	1/2019	(c)	No
Illinois	Evelyn Sanguinetti (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
Indiana	Suzanne Crouch (R)	CE	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	Yes
Iowa	Adam Gregg (Acting) (R) (m)	CE	4	5/2017	1/2019	...	Yes
Kansas	Tracey Mann (R)	CE	4	2/2018 (o)	1/2019	...	Yes
Kentucky	Jenean Hampton (R)	CE	4	12/2015	12/2019	...	Yes
Louisiana	Billy Nungesser (R)	CE	4	1/2016	1/2020	...	No
Maine	(b)						
Maryland	Boyd Rutherford (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
Massachusetts	Karyn Polito (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
Michigan	Brian Calley (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
Minnesota	Michelle Fischbach (R)	CE	4	5/2018 (p)	1/2021	...	Yes
Mississippi	Tate Reeves (R)	CE	4	1/2012	1/2020	1	No
Missouri	Mike Kehoe (R) (q)	CE	4	(q)	(q)	...	No
Montana	Mike Cooney (D)	CE	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	Yes
Nebraska	Mike Foley (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
Nevada	Mark Hutchison (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	No
New Hampshire	(b)						
New Jersey	Sheila Oliver (D)	CE	4	1/2018	1/2022	...	Yes
New Mexico	John Sanchez (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
New York	Kathy Hochul (D)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
North Carolina	Dan Forest (R)	CE	4	1/2013	1/2021	1	No
North Dakota	Brent Sanford (R)	CE	4	12/2017	12/2020	...	Yes
Ohio	Mary Taylor (R)	SE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
Oklahoma	Todd Lamb (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	No
Oregon	(b)						
Pennsylvania	Mike Stack (D)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes
Rhode Island	Dan McKee (D)	SE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	No
South Carolina	Kevin Bryant (R)	CE	4	1/2017 (f)	1/2019	...	No
South Dakota	Matt Michels (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
Tennessee	Randy McNally (R)	(g)	2	1/2017	1/2019	(g)	No
Texas	Dan Patrick (R)	CE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	No
Utah	Spencer J. Cox (R)	CE	4	10/2013 (h)	1/2021	1	Yes
Vermont	David Zuckerman (D)	CE	2	1/2017	1/2019	...	No
Virginia	Justin Fairfax (D)	CE	4	1/2018	1/2022	...	No
Washington	Cyrus Habib (D)	CE	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	No
West Virginia	Mitch Carmichael (R)	(i)	2	1/2017	1/2019	...	No
Wisconsin	Rebecca Kleefisch (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes (d)
Wyoming	(b)						
American Samoa	Lemanu Peleti Mauga (D)	CE	4	1/2013	1/2017	...	Yes
Guam	Ray Tenorio (R)	CE	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	Yes
CNMI*	Victor Hocog (R)	CE	4	12/2015 (j)	1/2019	...	Yes
Puerto Rico	(b)						
U.S. Virgin Islands	Osbert Potter (l)	SE	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	Yes

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The Lieutenant Governors, 2018 (continued)

Source: The Council of State Governments, Nov. 2017.

*Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Key:

CE—Constitutional, elected by public.

SE—Statutory, elected by public.

...—Not applicable.

- (a) The following also choose candidates for governor and lieutenant governor through a joint nomination process: Florida, Kansas, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, Utah, American Samoa, Guam, No. Mariana Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands. For additional information see The National Lieutenant Governors Association website at <http://www.nlga.us>.
- (b) No lieutenant governor.
- (c) Brad Little was appointed by Gov. Otter and confirmed by the state senate after Lt. Gov. Ritsch won the U.S. Senate seat.
- (d) The governor and Lt. governor are elected on a joint ticket at the November general election. However, they run on separate party primary ballots in the August primary election.
- (e) Attorney General Chin was sworn in as lieutenant governor on Feb. 2, 2018 following the resignation of Lt. Gov. Shan Tsutsui.
- (f) Bryant was sworn in on Jan. 24, 2017 after Lt. Gov. Henry McMaster became governor upon Nikki Haley's confirmation as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.
- (g) In Tennessee, the president of the senate and the lieutenant governor are one in the same. The legislature provided in statute the title of lieutenant governor upon the senate president. The senate president serves two-year terms, elected by the Senate on the first day of the first session of each two year legislative term.
- (h) Lt. Gov. Spencer J. Cox was appointed to the office of lieutenant governor in Oct. 2013 after Lt. Gov. Greg Bell resigned to return to the private sector.
- (i) In West Virginia, the president of the senate and the lieutenant governor are one in the same. The legislature provided in statute the title of lieutenant governor upon the senate president. The senate president serves two-year terms, elected by the Senate on the first day of the first session of each two year legislative term.
- (j) Hocog was sworn in on Dec. 29, 2015 after then-Lt. Gov. Ralph Torres became governor upon the death of Gov. Eloy Inos.
- (k) Carlos Lopez-Cantera was appointed Lt. governor on Feb. 3, 2014 after Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll resigned Mar. 12, 2013 amidst charges of misconduct.
- (l) The office became vacant when Lt. Gov. Ivey became governor when Gov. Bentley resigned. The Pres. Pro Tempore of the Senate is next in line of succession.
- (m) Gov. Kim Reynolds appointed Adam Gregg, the state's public defender, as lieutenant governor. However, the state attorney general, had issued an opinion questioning Gov. Reynolds authority to appoint the potential next governor. Gregg will hold the title of lieutenant governor, he will be charged with the ceremonial and administrative tasks of the office, and will draw the salary but will remain outside the gubernatorial line of succession. Should Reynolds leave office, the vacancy would be filled by Senate President Jack Whitver, the No. 3 on the gubernatorial depth chart according to the state constitution.
- (n) Donna Lynne was appointed Lt. governor by Gov. Hickenlooper after Joseph Garcia resigned to become president of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education.
- (o) Kansas Lt. Gov. Tracey Mann was sworn in on Feb. 14, 2018 after being appointed to fill the vacancy left when Jeff Colyer assumed the office of governor.
- (p) Michelle Fischbach, as President of the MN Senate, became the Lt. Gov. when Tina Smith was appointed to fill Sen. Al Franken's Senate seat.
- (q) Mike Parson became Governor upon the resignation of Eric Greitens. There is no provision for filling this office. The President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate is next in line to become governor, followed by Speaker of the House, and Secretary of State. On June 18, 2018, Governor Mike Parson appointed Mike Kehoe (R), as Lieutenant Governor. The appointment comes with legal uncertainty, as the Constitution of Missouri states that the governor can fill all vacancies "other than in the offices of lieutenant governor, state senator or representative" However, Parson stated that he believed that the Constitution gave him authority to name Kehoe as lieutenant governor.